



**CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE
PAY-AS-YOU-GO ESTIMATE**

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**H.R. 4640
DNA Analysis Backlog Elimination Act of 2000**

As cleared by the Congress on December 7, 2000

Enacting this legislation could affect direct spending and receipts that result from the collection of criminal penalties, but CBO estimates that any such effects would not be significant.

H.R. 4640 would direct the Department of Justice and other federal agencies to collect and analyze DNA samples from persons convicted of certain crimes. The act would establish new federal crimes for refusing to provide DNA samples and for the unauthorized use of such samples.

Because those prosecuted and convicted under H.R. 4640 could be subject to criminal fines, the government might collect additional fines if this legislation is enacted. Collections of such fines are recorded in the budget as governmental receipts (i.e., revenues), which are deposited in the Crime Victims Fund and spent in subsequent years. Any additional collections from enacting H.R. 4640 would be negligible because it is not likely that the federal government would pursue many cases under this act. Because any increase in direct spending would equal the fines collected (with a lag of one year or more), the additional direct spending also would be negligible.

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